

U.S. Embassy Democracy Commission

Small Grants Program Competition: Combat Corruption, Build Transparency

The U.S. Embassy's Democracy Commission invites Ukrainian non-governmental organizations to submit proposals aimed at preventing and combatting corruption in Ukraine. The goal of the grant competition is to halt corruption, promote accountability, and foster mechanisms that promote transparency.

Through this competition, the Democracy Commission seeks innovative approaches to support anti-corruption efforts, raise awareness of the problems corruption creates, create and sustain the political will and resources to combat corruption, and strengthen the legal and institutional capacity needed to stop it.

Proposals can address:

- Preventing corruption and promoting transparency through advocacy and legislative reform
- Combatting corruption in the educational system, health sector, criminal reform and correction centers, as well as in environmental practices
- Encouraging accountability and responsibility in government, public, and private organizations
- Promoting and increasing transparency throughout economic and business practices, including tenders and contracts, and procurement
- Youth education and involvement in finding innovative ways to address and combat corruption
- Inter-regional exchanges, cooperation, or partnerships
- > Increasing public awareness and understanding of the high price of corruption

- Addressing the problem of corruption from inside and outside the country
- Training for business owners, social service workers, police, local government administrators, judges, lawyers, press attachés, prison administrators, security specialists, and general workers
- Encouraging cooperation between civil society, government officials, and law enforcement agencies
- Developing or enhancing mechanisms that assist victims of corruption, foster citizen participation in combating corruption, and encourage transparency
- Using new or existing technology to increase transparency

The application deadline for this competition is May 19, at noon.

Maximum funding available for a single grant is \$24,000.

How To Apply

✓ TO THE DEMOCRACY SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM.

Send project proposals marked "ANTI-CORRUPTION" electronically to the address: <u>KyivDemGrants@state.gov</u>

In all correspondence, please refer to the "Anti-Corruption Competition."

Please use .ZIP in case you need to archive your documents. Otherwise send them as separate attachments.

Application forms with instructions are available at: http://ukraine.usembassy.gov/programs-grants.html

Please note that late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

Applications received by May 16 will receive priority consideration.

Applicants are encouraged strongly to review the information on the U.S. Embassy Democracy Commission Small Grants Program and Media Development Fund, prior to submitting their proposals.